

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend Claims 1, 6 and 12, as follows:

1. (Four times Amended) A hard disk drive, comprising:  
a head/disk assembly, comprising:  
a body; and  
a spindle motor supported by said body;  
a first connector attached to said body;  
a first printed circuit board attached to said body and connected to said spindle motor, [; and]  
a plurality of contacts mounted on said first printed circuit board;  
a second printed circuit board, comprising[:] a second connector engageable with said first  
connector of said disk assembly while said second printed circuit board is attached to said disk  
assembly; and  
a third connector having a plurality of terminals attached to said second printed circuit board,  
said plurality of terminals of said third connector of said second printed circuit board automatically  
electrically engaging said contacts on said disk assembly to transfer signals between said second  
printed circuit board and said spindle motor when said second connector of said second printed  
circuit board is engaged with said first connector of said disk assembly.

6. (Thrice Amended) A hard disk drive, comprising:  
a head/disk assembly, comprising:

3 a body; and  
4 a spindle motor disposed on said body;  
5 a first connector attached to said body;  
6 a first printed circuit board disposed on said body and electrically connected to said spindle  
7 motor<sub>1</sub>; and] a plurality of contacts mounted on said first printed circuit board; and  
8 a second printed circuit board comprising;  
9 a base;  
10 a second connector attached to said base; and  
11 a plurality of terminals attached to said base and protruding to automatically abuttingly  
12 contact said contacts on said disk assembly while said first connector is engaged with said second  
13 connector.

1 12. (Twice Amended) A hard disk drive, comprising:  
2 a head/disk assembly, comprising:  
3 a body; and  
4 a spindle motor disposed on said body;  
5 a first connector attached to said body;  
6 a flexible printed circuit board disposed on said body and electrically connected to said  
7 spindle motor<sub>1</sub>; and] a plurality of contacts mounted on said printed circuit board; and  
8 a printed circuit board assembly comprising;  
9 a base;

10 a second connector attached to said base; and  
11 a plurality of elastic terminals attached to said base and protruding to automatically  
12 abuttingly contact said contacts on said disk assembly while said first connector is engaged with said  
13 second connector.